

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 573

By Camper

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend former State Senator
Diana E. Bajoie of Louisiana, the third president
of N.O.B.E.L. Women.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pride in specially recognizing and welcoming to Tennessee those estimable persons who are state and national leaders; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary individual is former State Senator Diana E. Bajoie of Louisiana, who served as the third president of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative (N.O.B.E.L.) Women, which is holding its 2017 annual conference in Nashville from June 28th through July 2nd; and

WHEREAS, established in 1985, N.O.B.E.L. Women is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization primarily composed of current and former black women legislators and appointed officials that works to increase and promote the presence of black women in government and serves as a global voice to address issues affecting the lives of all women; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bajoie was elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives in 1976 and became the first African-American woman elected to the Louisiana Senate in 1991. She was the first woman elected to a leadership post in the Louisiana Senate, taking the oath as Senate President Pro Tempore in 2004; and

WHEREAS, it is highly appropriate that we recognize this esteemed leader and welcome her to the great State of Tennessee on this special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend former State Senator Diana E. Bajoie of

Louisiana for her service as the third president of the National Organization of Black Elected Legislative (N.O.B.E.L.) Women and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.